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	<b>COMPLETE IF KNOWN</b>	
	<b>Application Number</b>	/ Unknown
	<b>Filing Date</b>	Herewith
	<b>Group Art Unit</b>	Unknown
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Process for Forming Centipede Polymer Gels

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention)



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OR



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March 23, 2001

as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number PCT/US01/09313 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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